## **DELTA CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

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ADOPTION OF CODE OF ORDINANCES AMENDMENT 10-60
Leashed Animals on Public Property
Section 12-154
Article VI (Offenses Against Public Safety)

The Delta Township Board introduced the following ordinance repeal and ordinance text at its regular meeting held on Monday, December 19, 2011.

The Delta Township Board adopted the following ordinance repeal and ordinance text at its regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA ORDAINS TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF DELTA TOWNSHIP AS FOLLOWS:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA, EATON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA, MICHIGAN, BE AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 12-154 ("LEASHED ANIMALS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY") TO ARTICLE VI ("OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC SAFETY") OF CHAPTER 12 ("OFFENSES") TO: REQUIRE DOGS AND OTHER SMALL ANIMALS OR PETS TO BE LEASHED WHILE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY; ENSURE THE SAFETY OF TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS WHILE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY; REPEAL ORDINANCES AND PORTIONS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA HEREBY ORDAINS:

1. Article VI ("Offenses Against Public Safety") of Chapter 12 ("Offenses") is hereby amended as follows:

## SECTION 12-154: LEASHED ANIMALS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person while on public property, including public streets, public sidewalks, public trails, and public park property, within the Township to bring, drive, lead or carry any dog or small animal or pet which is unleashed, or which is on a leash longer than six feet or capable of extending longer than six feet onto any public property in the Township, unless a specific area is designated for unleashed dogs, small animals, or pets.
- (b) Any person who violates this Section shall be guilty of a municipal civil infraction and subject to fines as determined by resolution of the Board of Trustees.

- 2. <u>Severability</u>. If a court of competent jurisdiction declares any provision of this Ordinance, or a statutory provision referred to or adopted by reference herein, to be unenforceable, in whole or in part, such declaration shall only affect the provision held to be unenforceable and shall not affect any other part or provision. Provided, however, that if a court of competent jurisdiction declares a penalty provision to exceed the authority of the Township, the penalty shall be construed as the maximum penalty that is determined by the court to be within the authority of the Township to impose.
- 3. <u>Repeal</u>. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed; provided that any violation charged before the effective date of this Ordinance under an ordinance provision repealed by this Ordinance shall continue under the ordinance provision then in effect.
- 4. <u>Effective Date</u>. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final publication.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA

MARY CLARK, TOWNSHIP CLERK

KENNETH FLETCHER, TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

I, Mary Clark, Clerk of the Charter Township of Delta, Eaton County, Michigan hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete ordinance amendment adopted by the Township Board at their regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA

MARY CLARK, TOWNSHIP CLERK

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